

Minutes of Special Called Meeting

May 5, 2020

The Special Called Meeting of the Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for the Town of Fremont, NC was held at 1:00 p.m. on May 5, 2020. Present were:

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor Beatrice Jones, Alderwoman Ricky Mozingo, Alderman Joyce M. Artis, Mayor Pro-tem Leroy Ruffin, Alderman Annie Lewis, Alderwoman

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Barbara Aycock, Town Clerk Shannon Daly, Accounting Clerk Cindy Rhodes, Public Works Director Tim Howell, and Chief Paul Moats,

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order

Mayor Flowers called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Flowers asked everyone to take a moment of silence. He asked to remember Officer Ben Reid, who's wife had passed the week before.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Flowers stated that he has had several inquiries from the citizens to speak at this meeting. He stated that the agenda would have to be amended to include public comment. He asked for a motion to approve the amended agenda. Alderwoman Lewis made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Alderman Mozingo seconded the motion. No discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Flowers stated that the purpose of the meeting was to appoint a representative for District 2 Board of Alderman seat. He pointed out that there was a petition given to him that had 17 names and 2 letters, requesting that Mr. Oscar Mooring be chosen for this position.

Public Comments

Mayor Flowers asked if there is anyone who would like to speak. No one wanted to speak.

Mayor Flowers introduced Keith Spivey and asked him to explain a little bit about himself to the board. Mr. Spivey gave a brief summary of who he was and told the board why he wanted to fill the District 2 Board Seat. Each board member asked questions to Mr. Spivey and he answered them. Mayor Flowers thanked Mr. Spivey for his interest in applying for the position of District 2 Board Seat and said that he will be contacted once a decision is made.

Mayor Flowers introduced Oscar Mooring and asked him to explain a little bit about himself to the board. Mr. Mooring gave a brief summary of who he was and told the board why he wanted to fill the District 2 Board Seat. Each board member asked questions to Mr. Mooring and he answered them. Mayor Flowers thanked Mr. Mooring for his interest in applying for the position of District 2 Board Seat and said that he will be contacted once a decision is made.

Mayor Flowers stated that they need enough time to digest what they have heard and to research the candidates before making a decision. He asked if the board wanted to put it on the agenda for next month's meeting or did they want a special called meeting. He suggested that it be after April 29th to see what the governor was going to decide about the 10 or less gathering, because it will affect our meeting.

Alderman Ruffin asked if there was any money to purchase the property by Hwy 795 and resale it. Mrs. Aycock said that the school has bought 19 acres of that property and a new school is going to be built that will accommodate 600 students. She also said that Dollar General has bought Bob Edwards property on Hwy 117 and will be building a bigger store. She said that Danny Wooten has bought Leroy Johnson's property, which has to be re-zoned before he can use it as a business.

Mayor Flowers spoke about the activity and new businesses that have developed in Fremont over the past couple of years. There was some discussion about the changes that are going to happen in the town due to the new school, new residential developments, and the \$2,999,000 grant to replace the sewer lines.

It was discussed and determined that there will be a Special Called Meeting on May 5th at 1:00 p.m. to vote on the candidate for District 2 Board Seat.

Close Regular Board Meeting

Mayor Flowers asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderwoman Lewis made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Mozingo seconded it. All were in favor and motion passed unanimously.

W. Darron Flowers, Mayor

Shannon L. Daly, Town Glerk